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Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education - Textbooks and Other Resources - Requirements**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring that certain textbooks and other resources purchased
4 by certain county boards of education conform to the requirements established
5 by the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001; requiring that certain textbooks
6 recommended for purchase by certain county boards of education conform to the
7 requirements established by the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001; and
8 generally relating to the purchase of educational textbooks and resources by
9 county boards of education.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
11 Article - Education
12 Section 4-205(j) and 7-106
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
16 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

17 **Article - Education**

18 4-205.

19 (j) (1) The county superintendent shall prepare lists of the following items
20 needed by the schools:

- 21 (i) Textbooks;
- 22 (ii) Supplementary readers;
- 23 (iii) Materials of instruction;
- 24 (iv) Visual and auditory aids;
- 25 (v) Stationery and school supplies; and

1 (vi) School furniture, equipment, and apparatus.

2 (2) The county superintendent shall recommend the purchase and
3 distribution of these items by the county board.

4 (3) TEXTBOOKS AND OTHER RESOURCES RECOMMENDED FOR
5 PURCHASE UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL CONFORM TO THE
6 REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY THE FEDERAL NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND ACT OF
7 2001.

8 7-106.

9 (a) On the recommendation of the county superintendent and subject to the
10 provisions of this article, each county board shall adopt procedures for the selection
11 and purchase of the following necessary items, at the lowest price consistent with
12 good quality, for use in the public schools:

13 (1) Textbooks;

14 (2) Supplementary readers;

15 (3) Materials of instruction;

16 (4) Visual and auditory aids;

17 (5) Stationery; and

18 (6) School supplies.

19 (b) (1) Each county board shall adopt procedures for the selection and
20 purchase for use in each public school library or media center of a collection of books
21 and auditory and visual materials concerning African American history.

22 (2) The collection in each library or media center shall be appropriate for
23 students in each age group and reading level in the school.

24 (c) TEXTBOOKS AND OTHER RESOURCES PURCHASED UNDER SUBSECTION (A)
25 OF THIS SECTION SHALL CONFORM TO THE REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY THE
26 FEDERAL NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND ACT OF 2001.

27 (D) Each county board shall furnish the materials and supplies listed in
28 subsection (a) of this section:

29 (1) Free of cost for use in the public schools; and

30 (2) In sufficient quantities for the different grades in the public schools.

31 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
32 October 1, 2003.